

Listing of the claims:

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1. (Currently Amended) A device for use in taking a mould from a foot comprises:

(a) a member having a planar surface on one side, for receiving at least a portion of a sole of the foot thereon; and

(b) operating means provided on the opposite side of the said member to said planar surface for operation of the member in the pressure application of the planar surface into contact with the at least a part portion of the sole of the foot suitably positioned therein, said operating means further providing means for tilting inverting and everting the planar surface of the member while the planar surface is in contact with the foot at least portion of the sole for inverting and everting the foot and for appropriate support and joint or other location of the foot sole during the application and setting of moulding material to at least the sole of the foot.

2. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1 wherein the said member carries means for measuring and indicating the an angle of tilt of the planar surface when one of inverting and everting is applied to a foot sole the planar surface especially during the application and setting of moulding material.

3. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1 wherein the device includes a leg rest for placing on a seat or couch and for receiving and positioning a leg of patient seated on the seat or lying on the couch whereby the foot of the leg extends forwardly from the leg rest, the said member being movably mounted from the leg rest for movement to or from an operative contact position of its planar surface with the foot sole and for the tilting inverting and everting of said surface relative thereto.

4. (Original) A device according to claim 3 wherein the said member is hingedly mounted from the leg rest for movement about a substantially horizontal axis or about more than one such axes for movement to or from an operative contact position of its planar surface with the foot sole and for tilting of said surface relative thereto about the or each

horizontal hinging axis.

5. (Original) A device according to claim 3 wherein the said member is pivotally mounted from the leg rest for angular movement about a substantially vertical axis for angular side tilting of its planar surface relative to the foot sole when in contact therewith.

6. (Original) A device according to claim 5 wherein means is provided for measuring and indicating the angle of angular movement of the said member and its planar surface about the substantially vertical axis.

7. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1 wherein the operating means is arranged to also operate means for measuring and indicating the pressure of application of the said member when the planar surface thereof is in contact with the ~~foot~~ at least portion of the sole.

8. (Withdrawn)

9. (Withdrawn)

10. (Currently Amended) Method of taking a mould of a foot using a device according to claim 1 comprising:

(a) applying the planar surface of the said member by pressure application to at least part of the sole of a foot suitably positioned for the purpose;

(b) ~~tilting the~~ at least one of inverting and everting said member while its the planar surface is in contact with the ~~foot~~ sole for appropriate support and joint or other location of the ~~foot~~ sole;

(c) applying moulding material to at least the ~~foot~~ sole while so supported;

(d) allowing the moulding material to set while the ~~foot~~ sole is so supported;

and

(e) withdrawing the planar surface from contact with the ~~foot~~ sole and effecting removal of the set moulding material from the foot.

11. (Currently Amended) A device for use in taking a ~~mold~~ mould from a foot comprising:

a member having a planar surface on one side; and

operating means provided on the opposite side of said member to said planar surface for operation of said member in the pressure application of the planar surface into contact with at least a part of a ~~forefront~~ forefoot area of a sole of the foot suitably positioned for the purposes and also for tilting said member about a vertical axis in a frontal plane of the foot while the planar surface is in contact with the forefoot ~~part~~ area of the ~~foot~~ sole for appropriate support and joint or other location of the sole of the foot during the application and setting of ~~molding~~ moulding material to at least the sole of the foot.

12. (Currently Amended) A device for use in taking a ~~mold~~ mould from a foot of a patient comprising:

a leg rest;

a member having a planar surface on one side;

operating means wherein said leg rest is provided for placing on a seat or couch and for receiving and positioning a lower leg of the patient seated on the seat or lying on the couch whereby the foot of the leg extends forwardly from the leg rest;

said member is connected to the leg rest for articulated movement relative thereto; and


said operating means are provided on the opposite side of said member to said planar surface, for operation of the member in the pressure application of the planar surface into contact with at least a part of a forefoot area of a sole of the foot suitably positioned for the purposes and also for tilting the member about a vertical axis in a frontal plane of the foot while the planar surface is in contact with the forefoot ~~part~~ area of the sole of the foot for appropriate support and joint or other location of the sole of the foot during the application and setting of

~~molding~~ moulding material to at least the sole of the foot.

13. (Currently Amended) A new device for use in taking a ~~mold~~ mould from a foot comprising:

a member having a planar surface on one side;

operating means provided on the opposite side of the said member to said planar surface for operation of the member in the pressure application of the planar surface into contact with at least a part of a forefoot area of a sole of the foot suitably positioned for the purposes and also for tilting said member while the planar surface is in contact with a forefoot area of the sole of the foot for appropriate support and joint or other location of the sole of the foot during the application and setting of ~~molding~~ moulding material to at least the sole of the foot;

 a leg rest for placing on a seat or couch and for receiving and positioning a leg of patient seated on the seat or lying on the couch whereby the foot of the leg extends forwardly from the leg rest;

wherein said member is movably mounted from the leg rest for movement to or from an operative contact position of its planar surface with the sole of the foot and for the tilting of said surface relative thereto; and

wherein the said member is pivotally mounted from the leg rest for angular movement about a substantially vertical axis for angular side tilting of its planar surface relative to the sole of the foot when in contact therewith.


14. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 13 wherein the said member carries means for measuring and indicating the angle of tilt of the planar surface when applied to a sole of the foot especially during the application and setting of ~~molding~~ moulding material.

15. (Previously Added) A device according to claim 13 wherein said member is hingedly mounted from the leg rest for movement about a substantially horizontal axis or about more than one such axes for movement to or from an operative contact position of its

planar surface with the sole of the foot and for tilting of said surface relative thereto about the or each horizontal hinging axis.

16. (Previously Added) A device according to claim 13 wherein means is provided for measuring and indicating the angle of angular movement of the said member and its planar surface about the substantially vertical axis.

17. (Previously Added) A device according to claim 13 wherein the operating means is arranged to also operate means for measuring and indicating the pressure of application, of the said member when the planar surface thereof is in contact with a foot sole.

 Claims 18-19 (withdrawn).

20. (Currently Amended) Method of taking a ~~mold~~ mould of a foot using a device according to claim 11 comprising the steps of:

first applying the planar surface of ~~the~~ said member by pressure application to at least part of the sole of a foot suitably positioned for the purpose;

then tilting ~~the~~ said member about the frontal plane while its planar surface is in contact with the sole of the foot for appropriate support and joint or other location of the foot sole;

applying ~~molding~~ moulding material to at least the sole of the foot while so supported;

allowing the ~~molding~~ moulding material to set while the sole of the foot is so supported; and

withdrawing the planar surface from contact with the sole of the foot and effecting removal of the set ~~molding~~ moulding material from the foot.

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